(*a*) whether all the villages in the State have got qualified midwives appointed by the Public Health Department ; and

(*b*) if the answer to (a) is in the negative, will they take up the question now ?

Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai (*Director of Public Health*) : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The question has already been taken up and new midwifery centres are being opened in rural areas year after year.

Midwife at Arakozha.

165. * **Mr. Paul A. Thaliath** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any complaint has been received from the public of Arakozha and adjoining places about the necessity of having a midwife in the centre of that locality ; and

(*b*) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, will they sympathetically consider the request ?

Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai : (a) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

Appointment of Midwives in rural areas.

166. * **Mr. M. K. Velu Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state the number of midwives appointed in rural areas ?

Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai : 36.

Measures to improve the health of the people in rural areas.

167. * **Mr. M. K. Velu Pillai** : Will the Government be pleased to state the measures adopted by them in 1120 to improve the health of the people in the rural areas ?

Rajyasevanirata Dr. M. K. Gopala Pillai : A *statement containing the required information is laid on the table.

Economic Development Board.

168. * **Mr. K. Shahul Hameed** (*Trivandrum and Nedumangad cum Chirayinkil*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the number of members of the Economic Development Board ?

Mr. C. Kumara Das (*Secretary to Government*) : The member is referred to page 84 of Part I of the Travancore Directory for 1945.

Post-war Reconstruction.

169. * **Mr. M. Madhavan Namboothiri** : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any Committee or Sub-Committees have been constituted to consider schemes of Post-war Reconstruction ; and

(*b*) if so, whether they have submitted any reports ?

* *Vide* Appendix- I p. 494.

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Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) Yes. A Post-war Reconstruction Committee and various sub-committees have been constituted.

(*b*) Interim reports only have been received.

Post-war Reconstruction.

170. * **Mr. G. Madhavan:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether steps have been taken for getting advice from non-official members of the Legislature in the matter of post-war reconstruction scheme;

(*b*) whether any Advisory Committee was appointed; and

(*c*) if the answer to (b) is in the affirmative, who are the members of the Committee?

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*) The Post-war Reconstruction schemes are being considered by a Central Committee and 4 Sub-Committees. Before final decisions are arrived at on the report of the Committees, the question will be considered.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Chairman Dewan.

Members

1. Director of Research.
2. Electrical Engineer.
3. Chief Engineer.
4. Director of Transport.
5. Director of Agriculture.
6. Director of Industries.
7. Conservator of Forests.
8. Director of Public Health.
9. Financial Secretary to Government.
10. Mr. P. A. Hughes.
11. Director of Public Instruction.
12. Mr. P. S. Narasimha Aiyar.

Convener: 13. Secretary, Development Section.

Officers employed by the Travancore Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd.

171. * **Mr. Paul A. Thaliath:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of officers employed by the Travancore Fertilisers and Chemicals Ltd., up to 31-11-1120, drawing Rs. 100 and above;

(*b*) the number of such officers who are Travancoreans; and

(*c*) the number of such officers who are non-Travancoreans.

Mr. C. Kumara Das: (*a*), (*b*) and (c) This is an incorporated company in whose day to day management Government have no concern.

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